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Dear Josh:

I asked Stanley Auerbach, head of the Radiation Ecology group in our Health Physics Division, to comment on your letter of February 24. I hope that his remarks, together with the reprints, are responsive to your request. If you have further questions, I would suggest that you or your student contact Witkamp or Auerbach directly.

Sincerely yours,

Alvin

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Alvin M. Weinberg

Enclosures

Thank you very much, Al. The replies are responsive (perhaps also and quite needlessly a little defensive), and I will communicate directly with Witkamp.

Al, a quite different subject. Can you recall your first use of the idea of the "technological fix" in print? I ran into this myself, I believe quite independently (but who knows?) in thinking about artificial organs and hetero-specific transplants as a way to evade the impossible problems of organ supply from man. That was presented at the CIBA symp. in 1962.

Sincerely,

Joshua

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